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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on July 3, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. A request for extension of time accompanies this amendment thereby extending the due date from October 3, 2002 to November 3, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 63, 67, 70, 72, 75 and 79 as follows:

63. (Amended). A recombinant expression system comprising a nucleic acid sequence that includes an open reading frame operably linked to a control sequence compatible with a desired host, wherein the nucleic acid sequence is selected from the

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